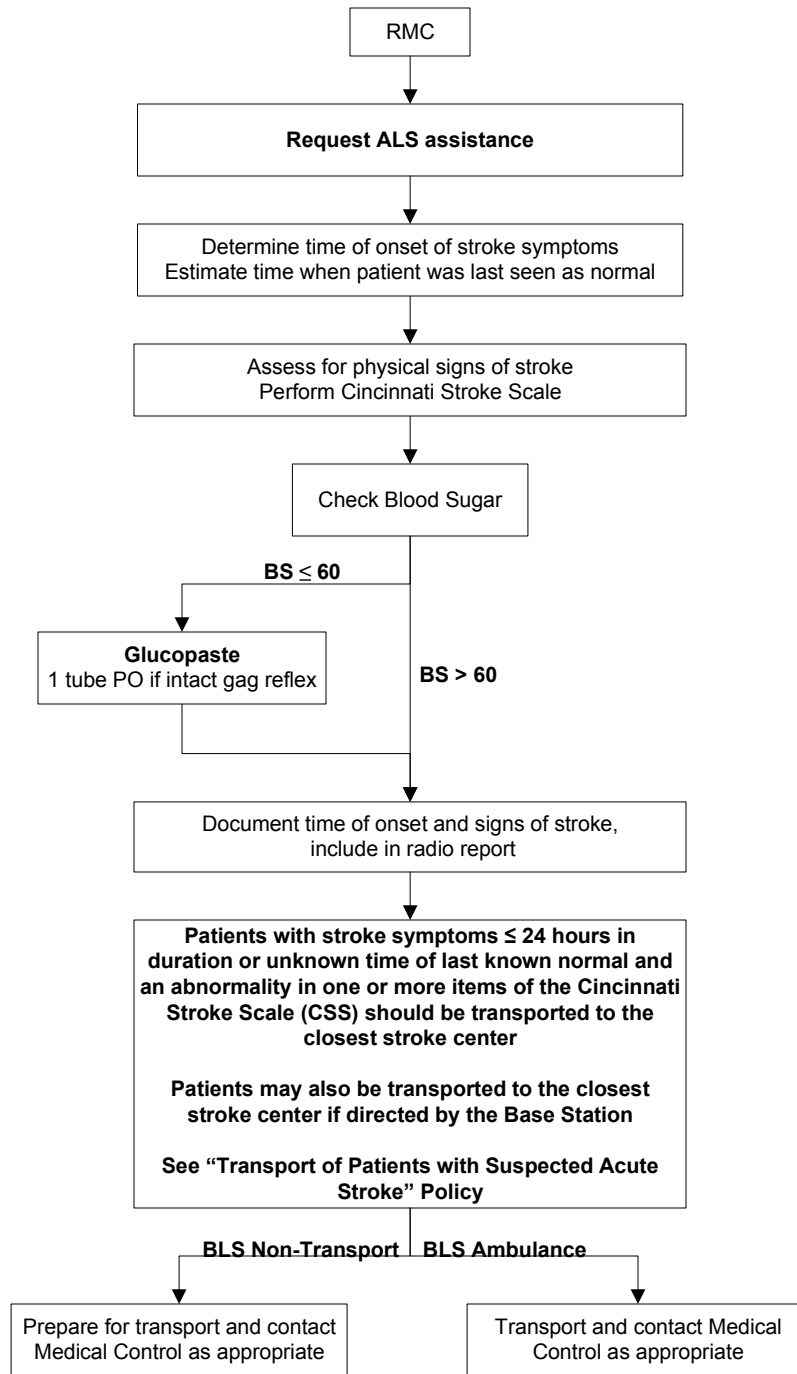


SUSPECTED ACUTE STROKE - BLS



Cincinnati Stroke Scale (CSS) (for responsive patient):

1. **Facial droop** – have patient show teeth or smile
Abnormal = one side does not move as the other
2. **Arm Drift** – have patient close eyes and hold arms out for 10 seconds with palms up
Abnormal = one arm does not move or drifts down
3. **Abnormal speech** – have patient say, "You can't teach an old dog new tricks"
Abnormal = patient slurs words, uses wrong words or is unable to speak

Positive CSS = One or more of the above items are abnormal